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H. RES. 437

Requesting that the President focus appropriate attention on neighborhood crime prevention and community policing, and coordinate certain Federal efforts to participate in “National Night Out”, including by supporting local efforts and neighborhood watches and by supporting local officials to provide homeland security, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 6, 2002

Mr. STUPAK (for himself, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HOEFFEL, Mr. BOEHLERT, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. LUTHER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. QUINN, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. FARR of California, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. KING, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. WU, Mr. WEINER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. GORDON, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. PETRI, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. FORD, Mr. SABO, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. HOYER, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. FROST, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. JOHN, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, and Ms. MCCOLLUM) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Requesting that the President focus appropriate attention on neighborhood crime prevention and community policing, and coordinate certain Federal efforts to participate

in “National Night Out”, including by supporting local efforts and neighborhood watches and by supporting local officials to provide homeland security, and for other purposes.

Whereas neighborhood crime is of continuing concern to the American people;

Whereas the fight against neighborhood crime requires people to work together in cooperation with law enforcement personnel;

Whereas neighborhood crime watch organizations effectively promote awareness about, and the participation of volunteers in, crime prevention activities at the local level;

Whereas neighborhood crime watch groups can contribute to the Nation’s war on drugs by helping to prevent communities from becoming markets for drug dealers;

Whereas neighborhood crime watch programs play an integral role in combating domestic terrorism by increasing vigilance and awareness and encouraging citizen participation in community safety and homeland security;

Whereas crime and violence in schools are of continuing concern to the American people due to the recent high-profile incidents that have resulted in fatalities at several schools across the United States;

Whereas community-based programs involving law enforcement, school administrators, teachers, parents, and local communities work effectively to reduce school violence and crime;

Whereas citizens across the United States will soon take part in “National Night Out”, a unique crime prevention event which will demonstrate the importance and effec-

tiveness of community participation in crime prevention efforts by having people spend the period from 7 to 10 o'clock p.m. on August 6, 2002, with their neighbors in front of their homes with their lights on; and

Whereas schools that turn their lights on from 7 to 10 o'clock p.m. on August 6, 2002, will send a positive message to the participants of “National Night Out” and show their commitment to reduce crime and violence in schools: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the goals and ideals of “National
3 Night Out”; and

4 (2) requests that the President—

5 (A) issue a proclamation calling on the
6 people of the United States to conduct appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs to
7 demonstrate support for “National Night Out”;

8 (B) focus appropriate attention on neighborhood crime prevention, community policing,
9 and reduction of school crime by delivering
10 speeches, convening meetings, and directing his
11 administration to make crime reduction an important priority; and

12 (C) coordinate the efforts of the Federal
13 Emergency Management Agency, the USA
14 Freedom Corps, the Citizen Corps, the National
15 Senior Service Corps, and AmeriCorps to par-

1 ticipate in “National Night Out” by supporting
2 local efforts and neighborhood watches and by
3 supporting local officials, including law enforce-
4 ment personnel, to provide homeland security
5 and combat terrorism in the United States.

